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SUBJECT: LIBERATION ARMY DAILY COVERAGE ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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1. INTERNATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE IN SOME JUNE AND JULY 1976 ISSUES
OF THE RESTRICTED CIRCULATION "LIBERATION ARMY DAILY" (LAD),
AS IN THE OPEN PRESS, TAKES A DISTANT SECOND PLACE TO COVERAGE OF
INTERNAL PRC DEVELOPMENTS. MOST OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS ARTICLES
ARE NCNA POLITICO-MILITARY COMMENTARIES OR REPORTS THAT APPEAR
SIMULTANEOUSLY IN THE OPEN PRESS, THOUGH THE LAD SOMETIMES
CONDENSES OR EDITS THE ORIGINAL NCNA ITEMS. "PEOPLE'S DAILY"
INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY AND EDITORIALS ARE CARRIED, AND
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REGULAR COLUMNS AS "GEOGRAPHICAL KNOWLEDGE" AND

"WE HAVE FRIENDS ALL OVER THE WORLD" REFLECT SIMILAR COLUMNS
FOUND IN THE OPEN PRESS.

2. THE MOST INTERESTING ARTICLE ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS APPEARS
IN THE LAD'S JUNE 4 EDITION. WRITTEN BY YIN YI (1438/3085) AND SHIH
CHING (4258/0513) AND TITLED

"SOVIET REVISIONISM'S RABID AND AGGRESSIVE EXPANSION
HEIGHTENS TOTAL PREPARATIONS FOR LAUNCHING WORLD WAR," THE
ARTICLE IS APPARENTLY THE THIRD IN A SERIES RWLLED "SOVIET SOCIAL
IMPERIALISM IS THE MOST DANGEROUS SOURCE OF WAR IN THE WORLD
TODAY" (NONE OF THE OTHER ARTICLES IN THE SERIES APPEARS IN THE
LAD ISSUES WE HAVE). THE ARTICLE BREAKS NO NEW GROUND, BUT
DOES PROVIDE A DETAILED REVIEW OF SOVIET DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN
ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT THE OFT-REPEATED CHINESE ASSERTION THAT THE
USSR WILL SOONER OR LATER LAUNCH A WORLD WAR, FOCUSED IN EUROPE.
PARTICULAR EMPHASIS IS GIVEN TO SOVIET ACTIONS IN THE WAKE OF THE
EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE. THE ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT SINCE
THE ESC, THE USSR HAS CONTINUED TO STRENGTHEN ITS MILITARY POWER
IN EUROPE, INTRODUCING NEW WEAPONRY, CARRYING OUT A SERIES
OF OFFENSIVE MANEUVERS, AND IMPROVING LOGISTICS BY, AMONG
OTHER THINGS, CONVERTING RAIL LINES IN SEVERAL EASTERN EUROPEAN
COUNTRIES TO STANDARD SOVIET GUAGE. DURING THE POST-ESC PERIOD
THE SOVIETS HAVE ALSO HEIGHTENED MILITARY PREPARATIONS ON
EUROPE'S FLANKS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND THE MIDDLE EAST, HAVE
PUSHED INTO SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE INDIAN OCEAN, AND HAVE ARRAYED
ONE MILLION MEN ON THE CHINESE BORDER, "ALL FOR
THE PURPOSE OF OCCUPYING STRATEGIC AREAS NEEDED TO LAUNCH WORLD
WAR. THESE WORLD-WIDE PREPARATIONS SHOW THAT THE USSR PLANS
TO LAUNCH "NOT A LOCALIZED WAR, BUT A WORLD WAR. IT NOT ONLY
DREAMS OF TAKING EUROPE IN ONE SWOOP, BUT ALSO OF OCCUPYING THE
ASIAN AND AFRICAN CONTINENTS, AND EVEN LATIN AMERICA, SO AS TO
ESTABLISH AN IMPERIAL COLONIAL EMPIRE STRETCHING ACROSS EUROPE,
ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA."
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